THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No. 33875 OF 1997

Dated 14th March 2007

Between:

P.V.K.Raghunatha Raju

…Petitioner

and

District Collector, W.G.District at Eluru & others

…Respondents

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O R D E R:

Petitioners state that they are the owners of an extent of Acs.44.02 cents of land, covered by different survey numbers of Chettunnapadu village of Bhimadole Mandal, West Godavari District. According to them, the land has been converted into fishing tank and that it is not within the CRZ, or any area, covered by notifications issued under the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972. Their grievance is that the respondents are interfering with the fishing activities in the said tank.

Though more than 10 years have elapsed, the respondents have not filed any counter affidavit.

The assertion of the petitioners that the tanks over their land is not within the CRZ are notified area, is not denied. This court granted an interim direction, way back on 19.12.1997. The respondents have not filed any counter affidavit.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, the writ petition is disposed of, directing that the respondents shall not interfere with fishing activities of the petitioners, as long as the fishing tanks of the petitioners are not in violation of any provision of law, or violation of provisions of the Wild Life Protection Act. There shall be no order as to costs.

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14th March 2007

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